

**CHAPTER NO. 6**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1263**

**By Representatives Whitson, Ronnie Davis**

**Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1756**

**By Senator Haun**

AN ACT to amend Chapter 127 of the Private Acts of 1986; as amended by Chapter 10 of the Private Acts of 1997; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to a privilege tax on the occupancy of hotels and motels in Greene County.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Section 9 of Chapter 127 of the Private Acts of 1986, as amended by Chapter 10 of the Private Acts of 1997, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety, and by substituting instead the following language:

Section 9. The proceeds from this tax levied herein shall be retained by the county government in the general fund with one-half of the proceeds allocated for the direct support of industrial development, recruitment, and retention for all Greene County. The county legislative body at its discretion may approve appropriation of all or a portion of these funds annually to a not-for-profit organization with comprehensive experience with all facets of industrial development, including recruitment, retention, work force development, marketing, knowledge of industrial buildings and land, relationships with regional and state economic development organizations, state and federal economic development grants, and commercial and industrial zoning.

The remaining one-half of the proceeds generated from said tax shall be allocated for the direct support of the development and promotion of tourism for all of Greene County. The county legislative body at its discretion may approve appropriation of all or a portion of those funds annually generated to a not-for-profit organization with comprehensive experience with all facets of tourism, including promotion, marketing, knowledge of hotel and motel conference facilities, relationships with regional and state tourism organizations, knowledge of all Greene County attractions and destinations, track record of recruiting major business conferences and sporting events and creation of collateral materials.

All appropriations made under this section to a not-for-profit organization shall be made in accordance with requirements in the general law.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Legislative Body of Greene County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the county Legislative Body of Greene County and certified to the Secretary of State.

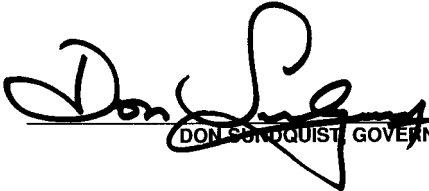
SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.

PASSED: February 27, 2001

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2001

  
DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR